

Public Comment Opportunity: Notice of Intent to Issue Clean Air Operating Permits

The United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10 (EPA) invites you to comment on the draft operating permit to regulate air emissions from the following source:

Three Rivers Timber, Inc. P. O. Box 757, Woodland Road Kamiah, Idaho 83536

EPA has received an application for an air pollution operating permit from the above named source. Because the facility is located within the exterior boundaries of the Nez Perce Reservation, it is EPA's responsibility to issue a Clean Air Act operating permit to this sources. In the future, other facilities on the Nez Perce Reservation may be identified as needing Clean Air Act permits.

Three Rivers Timber, Inc. is located in Clearwater County on Woodland Road in Kamiah, Idaho. Three Rivers Timber, Inc. manufactures lumber from logs that have been harvested in the region. The logs are debarked, sawed into boards, then dried and planed into finished lumber.

This source is required to obtain a Clean Air Act Title V Permit to Operate in accordance with Part 71 of Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations. The permit will contain all the Clean Air Act requirements that apply to the source and will require that the source conduct monitoring sufficient to enable EPA and the public to determine whether the source is complying with the air quality requirements that apply to the source. These proceedings are subject to the administrative requirements of 40 CFR 71.11.

Members of the public may review copies of the draft permit prepared by EPA, the statement of basis for the permit, the application, and all supporting materials submitted by the source at:

Prairie-River Library District in Lapwai 103 North Main Lapwai, Idaho 83540 Kamiah Community Library 505 Main street Kamiah, Idaho 83536

Copies of the permit and statement of basis can also be obtained at no cost from EPA's web site [www.epa.gov/r10earth/ (once there, click on "Air")] or by contacting Denise Baker, U.S. EPA Region 10, 1200 6th Avenue (OAQ-107) Seattle, WA 98101; (800) 424-4372, extension 8087. All documents will be available for review at the EPA Region 10 Office indicated above during regular business hours.

If you have comments on the draft permit, you must submit them on or before June 30, 2001. You have the right to request a public hearing on this permit. Requests for a hearing must be made by June 15, 2001, and must contain your reasons for requesting a hearing. If a public hearing is granted, the comment period will be extended through the date of the public hearing.

All comments and public hearing requests should be addressed to the following address:

Denise Baker
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10
1200 6th Avenue (OAQ-107)
Seattle, WA 98101

(800) 424-4372, extension 8087 E-mail: baker.denise@epa.gov

All comments received on or before June 30, 2001, and all comments made during a public hearing, if one is held, will be considered in arriving at a final decision on this permit. The final permit is a public record that can be obtained by request. A statement of reasons for changes made to the draft permit and responses to comments received will be sent to persons who comment on the draft permit.

If you believe that any condition of the draft permit is inappropriate, you must raise all reasonably ascertainable issues and submit all arguments supporting your position by the end of the comment period. Any supporting documents must be included in full and may not be incorporated by reference, unless they are already part of the administrative records for these permits or consist of tribal, state or federal statutes or regulations, or other generally available referenced materials.

Would You Like to Be on Our Mailing List? EPA has prepared a draft operating permit for the source listed above and intends to do so for other sources on the Nez Perce Reservation. If you would like to be added to our mailing list to be informed of future actions on this, or other Clean Air Act permits issued in Indian Country, please send your name and address to Denise Baker at the address listed above. Please note that you need not be on EPA's mailing list in order to submit comments on a draft permit or participate in a public hearing.